

Data Codebook

Ethnicity & Policing in the Global South: Descriptive Representation & Expectations of Police Bias

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The following variables found in the dataset *LyonMalik_Raw_Data.sav* are used in the analysis conducted for the article “Ethnicity & Policing in the Global South: Descriptive Representation & Expectations of Police Bias.” The definitions of other variables found in the raw dataset – which are not used in the analysis – are not included in the codebook below.

M1: Respondent identification number – a unique identifier for each respondent in the dataset.

M3: The primary sampling unit number.

d1: “How old are you?”

Response options: Open-ended integer response; No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

d2_y: “How many years have you lived at this residence?”

Response options: Open-ended integer response; No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

d4: “How many years of schooling have you completed?” (enumerator instructed to select the option that corresponds to the number of years of schooling)

Response options: No formal schooling (=1); Madrassah education (=2); Primary school (=3); Middle school (=4); Matriculation / secondary or high school (=5); Intermediate / higher secondary (=6); College or university graduate (=7); Master’s or professional degree (=8); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

d5: “What is your father’s mother tongue?”

Response options: Bhojpuri (=1); Urdu (=2); Bengali (=3); Gujarati (=4); Punjabi (=5); Sindhi (=6); Baloch (=7); Saraiki (=8); Pashto (=9); Hindko (=10); Others (=11); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

d7: “What is your religion?”

Response options: Islam (=1); Christianity (=2); Hindu (=3); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

d9: Gender of respondent (enumerator answered).

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Response options: Male (=1); Female (=2)

q1a: “In the past 12 months, how often have you been stopped by the police in situations such as checkpoints, traffic stops, or during identity checks?”

Response options: Never (=1); Once or twice (=2); A few times (=3); Often (=4); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

q2a_1: “Please tell me whether you or a member of your household has approached this institution for assistance in a legal matter over the past five years: the police.”

Response options: Yes (=1); No (=2); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

Count_Q4: Count of all different crime types committed against the respondent or a member of the respondent’s household within the past five years (this measure is constructed within the survey).

Response options: Integers between 0 and 6.

q5a_3: “Imagine that a Karachi police officer detains two persons equally suspected of committing a crime. In your opinion, towards which of the two will the police officer show preferential treatment?”

Response options: Person who speaks the same language / shares ethnicity with police officer (=1); Person who does not speak the same language / does not share ethnicity with police officer (=2); Neither of the two (=3)

Randomization_Q6: The randomly assigned ethnicity of the police officer profile shown to the respondent.

Randomization levels: Sindhi (=1); Pashtun (=2); Muhajir (=3)

Q6_a: “In this situation that I just described to you, how likely is it that the police officer will properly listen to your concerns?” (referring to hypothetical police encounter)

Response options: Scale from 1 (=Will not properly listen at all) to 5 (=Will very properly listen); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

Q6_b: “In this situation that I just described to you, how likely is it that the police officer will treat you fairly and with respect?” (referring to hypothetical police encounter)

Response options: Scale from 1 (=Will not treat with respect at all) to 5 (=Will treat with a lot of respect); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

Q6_c: “In this situation that I just described to you, how likely is it that the police officer will treat you more preferentially than how he treats certain other people?” (referring to hypothetical police encounter)

Response options: Scale from 1 (=No preferential treatment at all) to 5 (=A lot more preferential treatment as compared to others); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

q8: “Did you or a member of your household personally approach the police to register an FIR?”

Response options: Yes (=1); No (=2); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

q8a: “Kindly tell, out of 100, how many police officers in your local thaana would be such that speak the same language as you / share your ethnicity?”

Response options: Integers between 0 and 100.

q15_3: “Now I will read types of groups of people and institutions present in Karachi. Kindly tell, to what extent do you trust: the national government.”

Response options: Scale from 1 (=Never trusted) to 5 (=Very trusted); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

q15_4: “Now I will read types of groups of people and institutions present in Karachi. Kindly tell, to what extent do you trust: the police.”

Response options: Scale from 1 (=Never trusted) to 5 (=Very trusted); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)

q15_9: “Now I will read types of groups of people and institutions present in Karachi. Kindly tell, to what extent do you trust: the provincial government.”

Response options: Scale from 1 (=Never trusted) to 5 (=Very trusted); No response (=98); Don’t know (=99)